

Alexandria Gazette.

TUESDAY EVENING, MAR. 1, 1904.

Local Matters.

Sun rises tomorrow at 6:39 a. m. and sets at 5:59 p. m. High water at 7:37 a. m. and 8:03 p. m.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—For this section partly cloudy tonight. Wednesday fair, variable winds, becoming northwesterly.

River Notes.

The steamer Calvert, from Baltimore and river landings, arrived up this morning. She will leave on her return trip tomorrow.

The steamer Harry Randall left this morning for landings on the lower river route.

The steamer Wakefield is running temporarily on the Glymont route in place of the Estelle Randall.

The steamer Washington, from Norfolk, due at 6:30 this morning, did not arrive here until shortly before eleven o'clock, having been delayed by fog.

The ice in the river is breaking up rapidly, the comparatively mild weather and rain of the past few days having started it on the move, while the propeller steamers are constantly grinding it into myriads of fragments. Some of the pieces, however, which are carried up and down by the flowing and ebbing of the tide are ponderous, and cakes are often seen as thick as the Kennebec ice brought here during the summer months.

The officers of the steamer Harry Randall, which arrived on Sunday night at lower river landings, report Stuart's wharf to be somewhat damaged at the shore end, but Somerset Beach wharf was unharmed.

It is reported that Mr. W. W. Stiff, of Oak Grove, contemplates the rebuilding of the wharf at Chatterton as early in the spring as the weather will admit of that kind of work. It is also rumored that plans are on foot for the erection of another wharf in the vicinity of Chatterton, on the Potomac.

The fishing season is expected to open on the lower Potomac river this week. Preparations have been going on for some time at the various shores. The first seine will probably be dipped at Marlboro.

Burglars in Fairfax.

When E. R. Holbrook, the deputy clerk of Fairfax county, reached the office about 8 o'clock yesterday morning he found a shutter broken on a window on the side of the office and the window open. Inside there was evidence of marauders having been on the premises. The combination lock of the doors of the vault in which the court records are kept had been tampered with and the knob broken off, but the doors had not been opened. Clerk Richardson, Mr. Holbrook and others who gathered on the scene made a search for some article that might betray the identity of the person or persons who had entered and made the attempt to open the vault, but the only thing they could find was a piece of an old iron wagon brake that had apparently been employed in the assault on the lock. Mr. Richardson believes that his office was mistaken for the bank, where the robbers hoped to secure a large sum of money. Several reports were published in some newspapers setting forth that an attempt had been made to steal the will of George Washington, but there is no foundation for such reports. The will is kept in an entirely different part of the building from that which was broken into, and the theory that the burglars mistook the clerk's office for the bank building was finally accepted in Fairfax.

Charged with Horsestealing.

Officers Smith and Lyles this morning arrested a colored man named Levi Tolman on suspicion of stealing a horse he had in his possession. The darkey, it is alleged, told conflicting stories when questioned about the animal. Tolman attracted attention by attempting to sell the horse for \$20 to a man named Wrenn whom he met on the road between this city and Washington. Upon reaching this city he left the animal in Mr. Wrenn's charge and ran. Tolman was pursued by the officers and captured. The horse is in the possession of the authorities awaiting identification. This afternoon Detectives Trumbo and Miller, of Washington, came here and conducted Tolman to that city where the horse had been stolen. The darkey is an ex-convict, having served a term in the Mounts-Ville, Va., penitentiary. Tolman voluntarily accompanied the detectives to Washington.

Fishtown Property.

The committee on public property of the City Council, according to the annual custom, is offering the Fishtown property for rent by public auction. Many people are necessarily compelled to visit this locality during fishing season, and as there is generally more or less rain during that period the locality soon becomes a quagmire. There is virtually no approach to it save through mud ankle-deep at such times. It would entail but a small expenditure to improve the square on Union street from Princess to Oronoco street, and now is the time for such work before the season opens. The city owns Fishtown proper, and the entrance to the same after one leaves Union street is almost impassable during the rainy season except to those wearing gum boots.

The Library.

The following books have been added to the Alexandria Library: The Lightning Conductor, C. N. and A. M. Williamson; The Deliverance, Ellen Glasgow; Petronilla Heroven, Una L. Silberrad; Lavender and Old Lace, Myrtle Reed; The Spoilsman, Elliott Flower; The Castle of Twilight, Margaret Horton Potter; Turkish Life in Town and Country, Lucy Garnett; Italian Life in Town and Country, Luigi Villari; Spanish Life in Town and Country, L. Higgin; Dutch Life in Town and Country, P. M. Hough; The Central Italian Painters of the Renaissance, by Bernhard Berenson.

Police Court.

Several cases were on the docket of the Police Court this morning. A white man, who had been arrested by Officers Bettis and Knight at the instance of a woman living on north Lee street, was fined \$10, and six others who had been arrested by the same officers for disorderly conduct were fined \$5 each. Four colored men, arrested by Officers Allen and Nicholson charged with gambling, were dismissed, as was also a colored boy who was charged with taking coal from a railway car. A colored man charged with fighting was fined \$5.

Committee Meeting.

The committee appointed at a recent meeting of patrons of the W., A. & Mt. V. R. W. to prepare a plan of action whereby better transportation accommodations between this city and Washington can be secured met last night at the residence of Mr. O. P. Angelo, on Alfred street. No definite action was taken, although the matter was discussed at length. It was agreed to await final action in the hope that the company would make suitable changes in the near future by which better accommodations would be afforded the patrons and more trains run.

The same complaint which was recently lodged with the State Corporations Commission of lack of accommodations on the road was yesterday lodged by a gentleman of this city with the District of Columbia Commissioners who were urged to take immediate action in the matter.

Deaths and Funerals.

Mrs. Lula Byers, wife of Captain W. D. Byers and daughter of T. O. Mahane, of Albemarle county, died at the residence of her sister, Mrs. T. F. Currier, 1806 Duke street, at an early hour this morning. The deceased was 34 years old. The remains were taken to Gordonsville for interment. The following pallbearers accompanied the remains to Gordonsville: Messrs. C. S. Carter, C. W. Oliver, A. Wollberg, C. W. Carter, C. C. Posa and L. B. Crupper.

The funeral of the late George Bryan took place this afternoon from the residence on Alfred street, between Prince and Duke, and was attended by relatives and acquaintances of the deceased. The services were conducted by Rev. C. E. Ball. The pallbearers were Messrs. F. T. Evans, C. J. W. Summers, J. D. Brown, Thomas Chaucery, George W. Bozarth and Robert Lee.

Birthday Association.

The executive committee of the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association held a meeting last night in the Friendship engine house with President Paff in the chair. Encouraging reports were received from all of the committees having charge of the parade last week, and the treasurer's statement showed a satisfactory state of finances. The question of the manner of the next observance of Washington's birthday anniversary was discussed, but no definite action was taken. It was the opinion of those present, however, that the parade feature in connection with celebration of the 22d of February should be retained.

The Elks.

There was a largely attended and interesting meeting last night of Alexandria Lodge of Elks. Six candidates were initiated, among them being Lieut. Gov. Willard. A number of members of the Washington Lodge who were present participated in the ceremonies. After the business meeting a social session, to which a number of citizens had been invited, was held in the new social hall. Mr. E. E. Downham presided. Several speeches were made and there were vocal selections. All present experienced an evening's enjoyment they will not soon forget.

Promotion Announced.

General Manager Ackert of the Southern Railway has announced the appointment of Mr. P. L. McManus, of Washington, as assistant superintendent of the Charlotte division of the system, with office at Charlotte, N. C. The appointment is really a promotion for Mr. McManus, as he has held for some time past the office of chief clerk to General Manager Ackert, in which office he is succeeded by Mr. E. E. Norris, who has heretofore been an inspector on the system.

Charter for Rosslyn Road.

The corporation commission yesterday granted a charter to the Rosslyn Connection Railroad Company of Alexandria. The capital stock is from \$75,000 to \$100,000, and Samuel Rea is president. The company has acquired a spur track of the Washington-Southern connecting with the Long bridge across the Potomac. The officers named in the charter are connected with the Pennsylvania system.

Erroneous Report.

A report is in circulation to the effect that the Virginia Safe Deposit and Trust Company, which yesterday opened business in this city under most favorable auspices, is a branch of the First National Bank. This is a mistake, as both concerns are entirely separate and independent of each other.

Capt. William King Taken Ill.

Capt. William King, formerly of Alexandria, was taken suddenly ill at the army in Richmond last night. He received medical attention and at a late hour was somewhat improved. Captain King had a fainting spell and was unconscious for some time.

Postponed.

The members of "Sharps and Flats" at their meeting last night determined to postpone the production of "Fra Diavolo," which has been in rehearsal for some time, until next fall, on account of the indisposition of several members of the cast.

Profitable Investment.

A Washington shoe merchant tells Printers' Ink that "in the past three years our business has increased 50 per cent., as the result of our persistent advertising. Naturally, as the business grew we spent more money for advertising."

Corporation Court.

[Judge L. C. Barley presiding.] Garvin Whitton, a native of England, took out his first naturalization papers. The court reappointed Dr. W. R. Purvis and Messrs. E. B. Taylor and C. W. Moore as inspectors. Under the new law the inspectors receive no compensation.

Colds Cause Pneumonia.

One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep-seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Feuner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength. Sold by all druggists.

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Ladies' Dress Suits of Cheviot, in black, navy blue, brown and gray. New style Eton with military collar, edged with narrow braid, Roumaine satin lining. Skirt 7-gore full flare—\$16.50 value \$12.98 for.

Ladies' Spring Suits of black cheviot, made especially for short, stout women. Jacket the new 24-inch length, taffeta lined; fastened with frogs. Skirt full 7-gore flare—\$22.50 value for—\$19.50.

A pretty suit of all-wool Scotch mixtures, jacket 22 inches long; full sleeves and collarless, with trimming of plain color broadcloth and narrow braid to match mixtures; skirt walking length, with tucks running down. Worth \$27.50. Special—\$25.00.

Spring Walking Suits, of tan covert cloth. The new 22-inch jacket, taffeta lined. Full flare skirt, with taped seams—\$22.50 value for—\$19.50.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mr. J. H. Trimmer is quite sick at his home in the county.

March came in like a lamb, and it is to be hoped that the month will not go out like a lion.

The Bedford republicans yesterday endorse the administration and the Agnew organization.

The Ladies of the Maccabees will hold a meeting tonight at Odd Fellows' Hall, on north Columbus street.

Marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to William Martin, of Warrenton, and Mary Worsham, of Richmond.

During the month of February the Clerk of the Corporation Court recorded 28 deeds and issued 37 marriage licenses—30 to white and 7 to colored persons.

Alexandria Council, National Union, held a meeting last night. One candidate was initiated and considerable business transacted. The meeting was well attended.

Mr. W. E. Grady, while engaged in cleaning out the sewer at the intersection of Cameron and Alfred streets fished out a pocket book containing a small amount of money, a key and a note or letter.

The annual meeting of the Woodley Apartment House Company and of the Virginia Apartment House Company were held in this city yesterday, at which officers and directors were elected for the ensuing year.

The locomotive attached to the Florida express train jumped the track at Edsall's, a short distance southwest of this city, last night. After a short delay the engine was replaced upon the rails and the train proceeded.

The rainy and murky weather which set in last Saturday night was still in evidence this morning. The wind was from the northeast and mist and, at times, fog made conditions disagreeable. In the afternoon the heavens became clear.

In the House of Delegates yesterday Mr. R. E. Lee offered a bill to authorize the supervisors of Fairfax county to lease out the old office building of the commonwealth's attorney of Fairfax, which stands on the public square of the town of Fairfax.

A large wrecking force is at work in an effort to raise the six freight cars of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which were precipitated into the river at Shepherd's Landing, last Friday evening. The transfer service of the company has been out of commission since the accident, and trains were being sent around by way of Long bridge.

Well Again.

The many friends of John Blount will be pleased to learn that he has entirely recovered from his attack of rheumatism. Chamberlain's Pain Balm cured him after the best doctors in the town (Monon, Ind.) had failed to give relief. The prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords is alone worth many times its cost.—For sale by Richard Gibson.

Do You Want Strength?

If you want to increase your strength you must add to and not take from the physical. In other words, the food that you eat must be digested, assimilated and appropriated by the nerves, blood and tissues of the body. Kofol Dyspepsia Cure adds to the physical. It gives strength to and builds up strength in the human system. It is pleasant to the taste and palatable, and the only combination of digestants that will digest the food and enable the system to appropriate all of its health- and strength-giving qualities. Sold by all druggists.

OPENING AND CLOSING OF MAILS

Northern mails, week days, close at 7:30, 9:30 and 11:00 a. m., and 1:15, 2:40, 6:40, 8:25 and 10:45 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m., 12:00 m., and 4:30 p. m. On Sundays Northern mails close at 9:30 a. m., 1:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. Southern mails via Charlottesville close at 7:30 and 10:40 a. m., and 2:50, 9:30 and 10:45 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m. and 2:30 and 4:30 p. m. Southern mails, via Richmond, close at 10:30 a. m., and 3:00, 6:30 and 10:45 p. m. Open at 8 a. m. and 1 and 4 p. m. Mexican Division mails close at 7:30 a. m. and 4 p. m. Open at 9:00 a. m. and 3:30 p. m. Chesapeake and Ohio mails close at 2:45 p. m. and 10:45 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. Washington mails close at 7:30, 9:30 and 11:00 a. m., and 1:15, 2:40, 6:40, 8:25 and 10:45 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m., 12:00 m. and 1:00 p. m. and 4:30 p. m. Office Hours—Open at 8:00 a. m. Close at 6:00 p. m. Sunday Hours—Open at 9:00 a. m. Close at 10:00 a. m.

Carriers' Schedule—Collection made on inside routes—6:30 and 10:00 a. m. and 3:00 and 5:30 p. m. Full route—6:30 a. m. and 5:30 p. m. Sunday collection 5:00 a. m. Carriers' window open Sunday 9:00 a. m. and close 10:00 a. m.

Deliveries made 8:00 a. m., 1 p. m. and 4:15 p. m. All mail should be in the office ten minutes before our indicated time for closing.

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Also Handsome Scotch Homespun, smooth and rough effects.

Also some very elegant French fabrics in single dress lengths.

Melange Voile, in gray, tan and blue.

Per yard 75c

Voile Illusion, in gray, tan, marine and light blue.

Per yard 75c

French Voile, in cream, tan, navy blue, gray, green and white.

Per yard \$1.00

Chiffon Voile, in tan, mode, heliotrope, gray, brown, navy and French blue, cream, white and pink.

Per yard \$1.25

French Voile, extra wide and very fine, in a large assortment of fashionable shades.

Per yard \$1.50

All-wool Crepe de Paris, in gray, tan, brown, French blue, navy blue, rose, heliotrope, old rose, pink, light blue and cream.

Per yard 75c

Mohair Etamine, in champagne, gray and marine blue.

Per yard \$1.75

Etamine Voile, in French blue, mode, gray and cream.

Per yard \$2.00

Silk and Wool Crepe de Paris, in tan, gray, pearl, brown, lavender, light blue and pink.

Per yard \$1.00

Silk and Wool Crepe Idilia, in navy blue, brown, light gray, blue, champagne and tan.

Per yard \$1.25

Silk and Wool Crepe de Chine, in light gray, tan, champagne, brown, heliotrope, navy and marine blue, cream, light blue and pink.

Per yard \$1.50

Silk and Wool Fancy Eolienne, in light gray, tan and navy blue.

Per yard \$1.50

English Mohairs, plain and fancy, ranging in price from 50c to \$2.50 a yard.

Scotch Homespun, rough and smooth, in indistinct plaids and stripes, for tailor-made suits and walking skirts. \$1 to \$2 a yard.

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The Fountain of Youth.

Like pretty much everything else, this matter of having children has two sides to it. As a great many children are failures and as children are the joint product of heredity and environment, both elements preponderantly under parental control, it would seem more sensible to say that there were too many people undertaking parental responsibility instead of too few. And, further, parenthood has many cares and sorrows and exasperations. Still, when all is said, how many persons who have found themselves childless at forty-five have been able honestly to congratulate themselves?

Children have a use as an assurance against destitution and loneliness in old age. They are satisfactory to the old. They are satisfactory to the young. But more than these and all other advantages is the advantage of prolonging one's life. Growing children will keep any proper man or woman young in spirit and in mind, will retard the development of that sour yet complacent cynicism which curses old age both for oneself and for those about one.

The man or the woman—again, the right sort of man or woman—who has children drinks every day a deep draft at the fountain of eternal youth.—Saturday Evening Post.

The Dammaras of Africa.

In Galton's "Tropical South Africa" it is stated that the Dammaras use no term beyond three and that when they wish to express four they take to their fingers. Beyond five they cannot count at all. It is seldom, however, that they lose in a bargain through their inability to count. When bartering, each sheep or ox or whatever they may be selling must be paid for separately. If this rate of exchange were at the rate of two sticks of tobacco for one sheep it would greatly puzzle a Dammarra to accept four sticks for two sheep. Galton says that he several times paid them in that way and that the Dammarra forthwith set aside two sticks for one of the sheep, and even when he found that he had two sticks left for the other sheep he still had his doubts as to the genuineness of the transaction and was not satisfied until two sticks were put into his hand and one sheep driven away and then another two sticks given to him for the other sheep.

The Flight of the Locust.

Writing in the Empire Review on the locust in South Africa, S. B. Kitchen says: Locusts are very tiny creatures, at most two or three inches long, yet giant jawed and shelled in a grim brown mass so hard that as they strike it causes a sharp smart. They travel in such numbers that it takes them four or five days to pass over. The scouts alone, hovering in patches like red dust clouds, are numerous enough to destroy the vegetation of a district, while the main body, high up in the air, a host of little black specks, stretches out into an interminable screen between heaven and earth. The fanning of their wings brings a fresh coolness over the hot earth even in the depth of summer. There seems to be a fresh breath of ozone as of the sea.

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New White Pique, yard 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c and..... 35c

New White Duck, yard 10c, 12 1/2c and..... 15c

New White Linen Lawn, yard..... 30c

New White Waist Linen, yard 50c and 75c

New White Striped and Checked Dimity, yard 10c, 12 1/2c and..... 15c

New White Hemstitched Goods, yard 12 1/2c and..... 15c

New White Striped and Checked Goods, yard 5c, 6c, 8c, 10c and..... 12 1/2c

New White Dotted Swiss, yard 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 18c, 20c and..... 25c

New White Organdy, yard 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c and..... 30c

New White Mull, yard 30c and..... 25c

New White India Linen, yard 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c and..... 25c

New White 40-inch India Linen, yard 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c and..... 15c

New White English Long Cloth, yard 12 1/2c, 15c and..... 18c

New White Nainsook, yard 15c, 20c and..... 25c

New White Persian Lawn, yard 15c, 20c, 25c and..... 35c

New White Cambrics, yard 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c and..... 15c

New White Cannon Cloth (ready shrunk), yard 10c, 12 1/2c and..... 15c

New White Japanese Wash Silk, yd., 40c

New White Maline, yard 20c, 25c and..... 35c

New White Point de Esprit, yard..... 50c

New Hamburg Embroideries all widths, from 5c yard to..... 50c

New Swiss and Nainsook Embroideries from 5c yard to..... 30c

New White and Colored Wash Silks, yard..... 25c

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